TENGKU AHMAD RITHAUDDEEN

Minister of Foreign Affairs, Malaysia

Tengku Ahmad Rithauddeen was born in 1932 in Kelantan and is a member of the Kelantan Royal Family. He was educated in England where he received his Barrister-at-Law and was called to the English Bar in October, 1956.

When he returned in 1956 he held numerous legal appointments in the Government Service. In 1965 he resigned from Government and practiced law.

He was first elected to Parliament in 1969. In 1970, he was appointed Deputy Minister of Defence. In August 1973, he was appointed Minister with Special Functions including responsibilities for assisting the Prime Minister in Foreign Affairs. In January 1974, he was appointed Minister of Information in addition to his portfolio of Special Functions. He was returned in the August 1974 general elections and was appointed Minister of Information with Special Functions for Foreign Affairs.

On August 6, 1975, he was appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Tengku Ahmad Rithauddeen is married and has four children.